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Sports and Sporting

Eddy Bald's challenge to race either English team, like so many defis in which a championship is involved, seems des-tined to die an early death. Bald wants the same pacemakers to act for both racers, but Plummer objects.

Charley Proctor, of this city, was yesterday signed by Manager C. W. Boyer, of the Charleston, S. C., team of the Southeastern League. Proctor has an excel-ient record as a ball tosser, having cap-tained the Jeannette, Pa., team last season, and gained the highest batting average in the Western League.

The broadsword contest and other events scheduled to take place at St. Asaph last Saturday, and which were postponed be-cause of injuries to the contestants in practice, will probably take place next Saturday. Lieut Barber has challenged Corporal High for a contest with broadsword, foils, or single sticks, the match to take place at one of the halls in the city. The challenge will undoubtedly be accepted.

Pat Racdy says he is getting in first-rate shape for his bout with Hite Peckham, February 4. He is not going through quite the rigorous training that he did for his fight with Moore, for on that occasion he was down to a trifle too fine edge. Skipping the rope, punching the bag, and sparring a dozen rounds or so form the daily routine of work. The Murphy-Lewis bout is the only preliminary so far arranged.

The principal change in the proposed new rules of the National Jockey Club is the one which simplifies the manner in which jockey's shall be paid their fees by owners. It is much speedler and surer, se naturally meets the unqualified approval

Among the theroughbreds that Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt has intraining near Paris is a curiosity in the shape of a nineteen year-old mare. She once won the grand steeple chase at Paris, and was purchased by Mr. Vanderbilt from M. Camille Blanc

Borton boxing clubs are not so numerou in Gotham as they were a month ago. The bottom seems to have dropped out of the pugilistic boom, and men who posed as managers are nunting other jobs. Skating rinks, ice houses, etc., which were fitted up as clubbouses and arenas are tenantles and a general decline in the feverish sport taken in the manly art seems immi

A story from St. Louis credits Billy Joyce with matrimonial intentions. Caylor, writing in a New York daily, says complimentary things of Billy as a benedict, to the effect that the lady in the case displayed remarkable perception in her lection of a manager through life.

With the dates for the Washington Jocke Club's spring meeting aliotted from April 10 to 27, and Aqueduct opening April 28, there does not seem much chance that a meeting will be given at Pimlico, at any rate until fall. An attempt to give a meeting would have to occur before April 10, which makes the chance for good weather very slim. It looks, there-fore, as though there would be no more "legitimate" racing in the East until the Benning opening.

FOUGHT TO A DRAW.

Pierce and Juth Contested for Twenty Rounds Last Night. There were two bouts between pugilisti orts last night out the Bladensburg read. Arthur Jones and a lad named Wilson from

the southeast furnished the preliminary struggle, and after six rounds Jones was given the decision. Then came Leslie Pierce and Emil Juth

for a twenty-round go, and at the expiraof that number, Mr. Carter, the referce, said it was a draw. The decision did not meet with the approval of a large majority of a very good crowd, but the decision

was the aggressor. He ducked cleverly, and his upper cuts landed every time, drawing blood in the tenth round.

League Bowling Games.

The bowling games in the reserve teau league, scheduled for the 13th instant for W. A. C. and C. I. teams, on the alleys of the former, and postponed at the time indefinitely, will be played tonight on the W. A. C. atleys.

The games for the reserve teams schediled to be played tomorrow evening on the C. I. alleys will be bowled on Thursday evening instead. The contesting teams will be Carroll Institute and Washington

A Large Room.

The largest room in the world is in the imperial palace at St. Petersburg. It is 160 feet long and 150 wide. -Exchange.

Odd Items From Everywhere.

The city of New Orleans is now aix inches lower than it was forty years ago. Bristol now stands next to London as

place of import for Canadian cheese. Haverfull, Mass., shipped 367,000 cases of shoes in 1896, the highest number on

Statistics show that there are fifty sardine factories in Maine, with 5,785 em

A Bridgeton, Me., man has shipped over 5,000 barrels of apples to England this

Beer is now bottled in Germany in sy ons in the same manner as aerated waters. British bakers sold more Christmas pur

before. Galveston hotels served fresh strawber

ries and cream to their guests on Chris

There are more American vessels on the great lakes than on the ocean, and their com bined tonnage is greater.

A REPORT TO THE SENATE The Time

Discussed by Mr. Harmon.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION

The Power Necessary to Secure the Restoration to the District of the Retroceded Virginia Territory Is Contained in the Constitution of the United States.

Attorney General Harmon has made formal report to the Senate in reply to the resolution of that body relative to the aggested retrocession of Alexandria

ounty and city, Va.

He says that the old Virginia portion of the District embraces thirty-six square miles, of which twenty-nine is land and seven water. In this territory the govern ent owns the Arlington estate and a few small parceis of land, in all less than two square miles, or about one-eighteenth He states that the only legislation ever had on the subject was an act of the Vir-

ginia legislature of February 3, 1846, and an act of Congress, July 9, 1846. The Attorney General finds that the conitutionality of the acts of retrocession sas never been judicially determined. In the case of Phillips vs. Payne, in the Su-preme Court of the United States in 1875, an effort was made by the plaintiff to raise the question of constitutionality; but the court declined to pass upon it, holding that the plaintiff was estopped from raising the

He thinks that the legislation necessar; o secure restoration to the government of a whole or a part of theretroceded territory is indicated in Article 1, Sec. 8, paragraph 17 of the laws of the United States requiring the cession of the territory by Virginia and its acceptance by Congress.

He discisims any intention of expressing

my opinion, either favorable or adverse n the validity of the act of retroces

COOL AT NEW ORLEANS. Only Two Favorities Come in First.

Track Heavy. New Orleans, La., Jan. 18 .- Cool weather ecessitated wraps and top-coats today ere. Rain had made the track a bit slow, but not to any extent. The at

tendance was large for Monday, and with only two favorites winning, the bookmakers had the best of the day.

First race—Selling. One mile. Manue G., 96, Borsey, 3 to 1, won driving, by a head; Pete Katchen, 102 Reiff, 6 to 5, second, by two lengths; Ruett Goode, 105, Vandusen, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1,44 3-4, Billion Plutus Augustine Montell Rob

Vandusen, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:44-3-4. Billion, Plutus, Augustine, Montell, Bob Johnson, and Summer Coon also ran. Second race—Selling. Seven furlongs. Sharon, 112, Scherrer, 4 to 5, won by a length; Jack Hayes, 99, Burns, 5 to 2, second by a neck; Barney Adler, 104, Beauchamp, 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:30-1-2. Cardy, Federa, and Braying also ran. Candy, Redens, and Brescia also ran.
Third race—Mile. Selling. Triby, 102,
Morse, 12 to 1, won, driving, by a neck;
Van Brunt, 106, Scherrer, even, second,
by a length; Kruna, 85, Burns, 8 to 1,
third. Time, 1:43-3-4. Elyria, Ramona,
Linnette and Anna Mayes also ran.
Fourth race—Handican, Six furiouss.

Linnette and Anna Mayes also ran.
Fourth race.—Handicap. Six furlongs
Irish Lady, 102, Borsey, 5 to 1, won,
easily, by three lengths: R. Q. Ban, 98,
Campbell, 6 to 1, second, by a neck; Maggae 8, 94, A. Barrett, 2 to 1, third.
Time, 1:14-3-4. Viscount, Lonely, Robert
Latta and Glen Echo also ran.
Fifth race—Seiling. Seven furlongs. Alto
June, 92, Songer, 8 to 1, won driving by
a nose; Winslow, 104, Armstrong, 60 to
1, second by a half a length; Stark, 94,
Clay, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:30-3-4.
Nover, Heritage, Bob Clampett, Tom Sayre,
Baai Gad. Otho, Altadena and Romance
also ran. Gluck ran away two and a
quanter miles in the first oreas.
Sixth race—Seiling. Six furlongs. High

Sixth rare Sciling Six furlengs. High Test, 105, Morse, 4 to 5, won by two ingths, May asney, 100, Hoazn, 4 to 1, second by a neck; F. M. B. 105, Scherrer, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:153-4. Ettare, Bombard, Güfordham, and Lay On also ran.

THE NEW CATHOLIC CLUB.

An Enjoyable House-Warming of

The members of the newly-organized Catholic Club of Washington, D. C., took formal possession of their new home and northwest, last night. The affair was a brilliant success in every way.

The opening or house-warming took the thoroughly enjoyed and pleasingly ren-

President F. A. W. Van Reuth, in a few well-chosen words, delivered the address

At the conclusion of the program th guests adjourned to the dining-room, where generous collation was served.

It was announced during the evening that a ladies' night will be given next week, with dancing, and that once each month the club house will be given up to the fair friends of the club. On Februar, I a musicale will be given for the club. The efficers of the club are: F. A. W. Van Reuth, president; M. A. Keane, vice president; W. F. Sullivan, financial secre-J. F. Hill, recording secretary; P. A. O'Brien, treasurer; T. J. Guiney, ser geant-at-arms, and D. Thomas, libraran. The club meets on the first Sunday of month to transact regular business.

Non-Catholics are welcomed as members. ALL DEPENDS UPON PATSY.

Dickering on a Few Deals. Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 18 .- "All depends upon Pat Tebeau. He is the key to the sit-uation," said President C. H. Byrne of the Brooklyn Baseball Club today. "For four weeks President Robison of the Cleveland team and President Brush of the Cincinnati club have been dickering over the best thing to be done the coming season."

He continued: "Matters assumed such shape that a conference was thought nectalk matters over. I will say that nothing definite was accomplished. The question at issue involves a triangular deal. Whether it will ever amount to anything more than wind depends on what Tebeau says. Mr. Robison gave us to understand that he will not make a move until he sees and consults with Pat."

Chain and Sprocket Met.

The Chain and Sprocket Cycle Club held a special meeting last evening for the purpose of considering recent actions of the cycle board of trade, which seem to have created considerable opposition among the members of the club. Definite action by the club concerning the matters at issue was suspended, pending the report of a committee appointed to investigate matters pertaining thereto. Mr. Eugene Crist. of the cycle board, and also a member o the club, represented the board at the

Running It Down.

Police Captain—You say you saw the burglar run out of your front door with your silver? Did you follow him? Looted Citizen—Yes; as far as the cor-

Police Captain-What kind of silver was Looted Citizen-Chased,-Cleveland Plain

Will Come

When Derelicts Must Pay the Penalty for Neglecting a Plain Duty.

Every year thousands die from carclessness, thousands more die from ignorance.
Men and women presume upon good consituations, flattering themselves that they
have nothing to fear. They do not comprehend the importance of apparently trivial
symptoms, which are warnings of failing
health. Many men suffer from nervous debility, impaired memory, low spirits, and
the various derangements of mind and
body due to permetous labits contracted
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Theater Folk

George Backus is compelled to smoke

box of eigars a week by the requirements of his role in "Too Much Johnson." Miss Margaret Mather offers \$5,000 to a four-act play, suited to her person-filty and abilities, to be written by an American citizen, on an American theme, and sub-mitted on or before June 1 next. Decis-ion will be rendered on September 15 next.

Herbert Beerbohn Tree has printed a prochure entitled "Hamlet from an Actor's 'rompt Book," containing succinctly his views regarding various disputed passages in the tragedy and his own treatment of

"All actresses paint," observes R. A. Bar-net, "but only the best of them draw well." Thomas W. Keene has played "Richard III" 2,306 times. This means that every night, including Sunday, of over six years of Mr. Keene's life has been devoted to this role.

Charles B. Hanford, the manager and leading than of Thomas W. Keene, recently secived in a Western city a unique apparation for a position in his economy. It was written with a lead pen-d on the paper around one of his shirts returned from the laundry, and read as follows: "Dear Sir-If you want another girl in your troupe call for Elia of this laundry." At the Walnut Street Theater, Cincin

at the Wanth Street Theater, Chem-natt, on New Year's eve, after a perform-ance of "Richard III" by Thomas W. Keene and his company, the curtain was raised to disclose Mrs. S. A. Baker scatted upon a hold-campied throne, surrealided by her reliew, hayers. It was the sixtieth aniony-tanopied throne, surremosed by her redlow-largers. It was the sixticth an-niversary of Mrs. Baker's first appearance on the stage, her debut having teen made December 31, 1836, at the Walnut Street Theater, Philadelphia, when she came forward as Virginia to the Virginius of George A. Parsons.

"All last week the intensely cold weather brought in its train many tales of suffering, of want, and of death," says Charles A Bigelow, the bright comedian of "The Girl Rigelow, the bright consedian of "The Girl From Faris," but the noblest take of death that combined develon to one's profession comes from England, where I hear that a ballet girl in a spectacular piece threw such fervor and enthusiasm into her little role that, in a scened-picting the Arcticregions, she froze to death on a painted iceberg, while the paper snow from the files softly fluttered down and covered her."

The Carroll-Kerker Opera Company, head ed by Camille D'Arville and Richard F ed by Camalle D'Arvate and Richard F. Carroll, opened its season at Wallace's Theater, January 4 in the Turkish comic opera, "Kismet," the joint work of Gus-tave Kerker and Richard F Carroll After the New York engagement the company plays in Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Baltimore Washington and Chicago. Block, the managers of the company, have in preparation some exquisitely handsome scenery. The company includes William Hatch, William Steiger, Henry Leoni, Gerald Gerome, Belle Bucklin, Rose Leighton, Nellie Parker and several others, with a strong chory of fifty voices.

a strong chorus of fifty voices. Talking of Sunday papers, I heard the other day of a manager who advertised for a young woman acrobat to do a dangerous trapeze specialty in a continuous performance. One of the applicants was_a pale-faced, shabbily gowned little woman who saids he had had no experience, but was sure she could do the work. "Why, my dear," said the amazed manager, "I want a woman who saids and the same my dear, said the amazed manager, "I want a woman who can climb a rope to the very roof of the dome where she is to perform on the bar and then dive into a net stretched over the heads of the audience. Unless you are a trained acrobat I cannot imagine how you could even think of such an attempt." "Why, I have to do much worse thinks that they is." to do much worse things than that, sir,' she answered. "I have been writing

stories for the Sunday papers."-Mirror Would Have Frightened a Lady Mexico (Mo.) Intelliger: Col. Clay had an experience with a monster rat last week which he will not soon forget. After re-turning from the Wilkins-Yancey wedding Tuesday night, Col. Clay drove to his barn and put up his horse. After stabling the animal he took a scoop and went to the bin to get some corn. As he stooped to get the corn, he felt some object strike him beavily in the breast and run around under his coat to his back. Col. Clay went vigorously to work to dislodge his unwel come guest. His efforts, however, only made matters worse. In shaking his coat the rat ran down Col. Clay's back, and forced its way into his trousers. The sit untion was getting exceedingly interesting As yet the rat had made no effort to blte but Col. Clay was in mental dread o an attack at any moment. He threw off coat, hastily unbuttoned his trousers and undertook to shake the thing out at the bottom of the leg. The rat, however was determined to hold possession, and after going down to the foot, turned and came back up the leg. In sheer'despera tion Col. Clay kicked off his trousers this way he managed to get away from the rat, but the latter continued to hold possession of the trousers. The rat finally emerged from the trousers leg, and Col. Clay killed it with a currycomb.

Prepared.

"What is this \$25 that you have set aside to incidentals in your Christmas ex-Penses, John? "

"That? Oh, that, my dear, is for the doctor's bill after the children have enjoyed Chistmas to the full."—Philadelphia North American.

No Heads or Talls.

No human head was impressed on coin until after the death of Alexander the Great. All images before that time were of deities. -Chicago Chronicle.

Did His Whole Duty. A Proud Achievement-"Well," said the new legislator, "I performed my first duty for my constituents today." "What?" "I

voted in favor of adjournment,"-Phila-

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EACH TEAM WON A GAME.

saengerbund and Carrolls Play Brilliantly and Divide the Honors.

The Carroll Institute bowling team had s its visitors last night the Washington Saengerbund team for a set of tenpin bowling games in the major league sene and the teams were so well matched that each won a game

The Carrolls led off and by good team work landed the first game by 88 pins. The sturdy Saengers gained their second wind on the change of alleys and the cond game was theirs by 98 pins.

Rice of the C. I. led the evening with 86 as the highest single score, and also led with the best average, having 170 1-2. By his work last evening Rice now-leads the league for the test average and has earned the place by good, steady bowling. He also leads the league with 221 as the highest single game.
For the Saengers Spiess and Laue were

ied with 172 as highest single game.

The Saengers have won two sets from
the Carrolls on the alleys of the former, but neither team has been able to carry off a full set on the C. I. alleys.

The game abounded in many brilliant plays and several very difficult spares were gathered in by both sides. Han-neld of W. S. B. and one of 1-3-4-8; and for the Carrolls Stone made one of 7 S. Locraft, 1-2-3-5-7, and Amestrong, Following are last night's scores:

١		1st	24	TH	Ttl
1		game.	game.	Stks.	Sprs.
1	Armstrong	123	125	2	17.1
1	Miller	103	137	22	7
	Stone	164	144	4	10
1	Rice	186	155	5	9
1	B. Locraft	168	145	4	11
	Totals	744	706	17	42
1	W. S. B.				
١	Hannold	134	146	3	- 8
	Spicss	117	172	3:	8
١	Laue	123	172	4	- 8
i	Burdine	117	161	4	7
į	Brugger		153	111 6	7
i	Totals	656	804	20	38

13 C. I. 10 W. A. C. 9 Meagher at the Ice Palace.

Won. Lost. Played.

Team standing is as follows:

George A. Meagher has fairly won the numerous niedals he wears as trophics if his prowess on the sweis. His ap pearance at the Ice Palace last evening established his popularity in Washington beyond question.

the utmost interest, and as some especially rilliant evolution would be executed, ripple of applause would be heard, and derful performer's body gloded quickly into another figure. Even a novice could ap-preciate the matchless grace and skill displayed. Waltzing on the points of the skates, doshing through rows of lighted lamps at full speed, and jumping over chairs, were features which worked the big audience up to a high pitch of en-thusiasm. Every movement was performed in perfect time with the dreamy

The thousands of vari-colored lights up the shadowy half-light the graceful skater



glided noiselessly over the smooth surface one could well realize the meaning o "poetry of motion." The grapevine twist to an expert followed each other ir rapid succession, and the audience was on the qui vive from the moment the skater ap ared in his handsome costume until his farewell bow.

With no apparent effort he glides swiftly from one figure to another, gradually in creasing his speed, yet preserving the same sinuous grace, until a brilliant climax is attained. Then follows another equally fascinating series of a different style, always executed with precision and grace. The exhibition that requires the greates skill and agility is reserved until last, that being the jump over four chairs, placed side by side. This Mr. Meagher did with the utmost ease, and the act was perhaps the most popular feature of the exhibition

receiving generous applause.

Mr. Meagher will give his exhibitions each evening of the avers, beginning at 9 o'clock, introducing new and greatly diversified figures at each performance.

POLICY DEALERS MULCTED

The Trial of Walter Donnelly Concluded in Alexandria.

A HEAVY FINE WAS IMPOSED

An Appeal Was Taken From the Mayor's Decision-The Other Defendants' Trial Was Set for Tomorrow-The Testimony Given Yesterday Was Entertaining.

The alleged promoters of policy, who were arrested on Thursday last by Sergt. Smith and his men, when six policy shops

in this city were raided, were arraigned before the mayor last night for trial. The The session of the potice court was neld in the corporation courtroom, on account of the large number of witnesses who had been summoned, and the great, number of citizens who had expressed a desire to be present at the hearing. When Mayor Thompson took his seat every available space in the large room was filled, and the crowd extended out into the corridors. The following prisoners answered to their names: Frank McLaren, Waiter Donnelley and John Mills, white, and William Payne, Rhodie Wilson, Charles Grady, James Lee, James Banks, Edward Green Thomas Neison, Edward Jamieson, Frank Chase, F R Ross, A. W. Madella, Charles Parker and Adolphus Woodward. All of the parties named, except Woodward, were charged with promoting policy in this city. Woodward was charged with soliciting ousiness in Washington for the Alexandria

houses. Commonwealth's Attorney Leonard Mar bury was present for the prosecution, and Messre 8 G Brent, John M. Johnson and

John H. Green for the defense The accused were all presented under new warrants, which were prepared subsequent to the raid by Mr. Marbury, as used in making the arrests were said to be defective. Immediately upon the assembling of court, Mr. Brent, for the defense, waived the execution of the new warrants, accepting them as exe-

Chief Webster then called the witnesses ummoned, and found that a number were

Mr. Marbury asked that an attachment be issued against all witnesses who had failed to respond to their names.

The case of Walter Donnelly was the first called, when Mr. Brent moved to quash the warrant and entered a plea of

not guilty.

Mr. Marbury moved that the trials be postponed, as material witnesses for the ommonwealth had failed to respond to their names, and asked that attachments be issued against the absentees.

The case was proceeded with, and Scret-Smith was called to the stand. The wit-ness stated that he had raided the house of Waiter Donnelly. He found the gate locked, and jumped over the fence. He caught Donnelly running across the yard. He went into the house and found what he supposed were policy writings and drawings. He never played policy and was never in a policy shop in his life prior o the raids. Edward Williams was then called. In

reply to a question by Mr. Green, witness stated that he was a half-brother of Sergt. Smith. He had played policy often, and several times at Donnelly's He did not know with whom he played, and described the manner in which it was ecessary to proceed to play policy. Officer Ferguion stated that he had ac ompanied Sergt. Smith when he made the raid. He was admitted by way of the front doer of the building by Mr. Walter

Foundly. He recognized the paraphernalia as that recovered. Mr. Lobert C. Watson, of the Washington police force, was called to testify to the character of the paraphernalia submitted in evidence against the accused The witness stated that he had been de tailed on the policy business during the past nine months, and that the papers before the court were what are co

known as "writings" or "books" in policy sted in the policy business in the house alieged to have been conducted by Walter Donnelly. They passed their money through an opening in a frame partition and received a slip of paper containing the num-bers they desired. They had never seen

those engaged in the business. After further testimony had been given and the arguments submitted. Mayor Thomp son rendered his decision, imposing a line of \$250 and a sentence of sixty days in

Mr. Brent immediately noted an appeal and the case will be taken to the corpora tion court. The prisoner was released on

Capt. Mushbach stated to the court that he represented John Mills and Edward Shock, and asked that a time for trial be fixed. The mayor stated that he would hear these cases on Wednesday evening if the commonwealth's attorney could attend at that time.

A Patriotic Hedge.

"I'm for war with Spain to the bitter end!" shouted the enthusiast.

"Are you willing to fight?" "Um! Well, I would be, only I learned yesterday on account of bad eyesight the government wouldn't accept me."-Philadelphia North American.

MESMERIZED.

Bad Habits Make a Man Act Like He Was Under a Spell.

A man will try to convince himself by arguments so poorly founded that if they were presented by another they would be treated with contempt. As an instance: He may be ailing from the heavy poison of tobacco, or the lighter poison of coffee the weakened condition will show some where in the body, eyes, head, stansch, heart, liver, bowels, or somewhere. His doctor tells him to stop the habit, but each day the thought comes: "O, coffee and tobacco don't hurt me, its my stomach that thing will be all right;" so he keeps on with his habits, and goes to drugging a poor old stomach that would do its work beautifully if the master would furnish enough vitality to run it, but he poisons his nervous system and robs the members of strength to carry on their work.
When a man wakes up to whathe is doing, exchanging his health and chance to succeed in tils world for a paltry habit or two, he quits them and follows nature's wise laws.

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BELIEF THAT GOLD GROWS.

Veteran Miners Make Declarations and Endeavor to Prove Them,

They were all weather-beaten trail bla ers who had led the march of civilization into the mountains, and as they their shins by the big stove in Lon Pick-ett's Hotel bar at Meirose their conversation wandered from the recent election and the departed glories of other days to the latest discoveries in science. John Helehan had just finished reading from a mining journal about Prof. Emmons' discovery of the method of transmuting silver into

"I think Emmons is a humbug," said old Judge Longty, a California Argonaut. "The old alchemists, you know, tried that, but they might as well have tried to make an apple seed. Nature holds the germ and all the scientists who imitate her can do is to quicken its growth." "I've heard tell of gold growing," re-marked Will Robbins.

"So have I," said the judge, "but you ive never seen it grow, have you? I don't believe all the varus these experts spin, anyhow. "Boys," spoke up John Treanor, "perhaps I have got some queer old notions stowed away under this diggin' hat of mine, but for thirty years, man and boy

I've been a prospector, and I have been doin' some thinking. And I tell you now that I believe gold does grow. Twenty years ago I struck the Locust and sank a snaft. It was silver ore, and after diggin' for a while I gave it up in disgust. Then I wandered over to the other side of the range and located the Banner, a copper nine now in the possession of the Ans conda Company. I moseyed around for awhile, and eight years ago I went back to my old love, the Locust. Hang me if I could believe my eyes, boys, when I found the prettiest ledge of gold ore right where the silver jedge was. It was as pretty as picture, and I kept right on diggin', and have been diggin' in that hole ever since. It seemed to me that in the places where the water struck it, it grow richer. I run in three tunnels at the bottom, but found the gold was not yet ripe, so I just closed

up the tunnels and let them rest for a few years." "Hame me if I don't think Hank Stebbins does the same thing," said Jack Flice. "Hank lives up in Soap gulch and has a claim he calls the Belcher. He discovered it thirty years ago, when Wash Stapleton was making builds in his lead mine to kill Indians with. It is a funny formation for that part of the country. It is in a reef of sand lying between the lime formation that borders the Melrose valley and the stratified gneiss formation that runs from that point to the base of Red Mountain. Thirty years ago Hank discovered that there were globules of silver in the sand and located it, but there wasn't enough mineral to pay and he abandoned it. Ten years ago he went back to the old min and began turning over the sand. He began to find chunks of gold instead of silver. He has a good thing of it now. He mines it like the Mexicans used to mine it years ago. He cuts stairs in the sand and takes the rock up in a candle box and sorts it over. Now all he has got to do when he wants to make a stake is to go down to the sand pile and wiggle a crowbar around for a few minutes, when up comes a piece of shining gold. Several capitalists have attempted to get hold of the mine good offer for it, but Hank won't sell, for he is sure he has a fortune if the gold -keeps on growing."-Butte, Mont., Inter

Mountain.

THE EARTH'S TEMPERATURE. Observations Made in S the Deepest Holes.

Physical geography teaches that the nerease of temperature as we descend into the earth is about one degree Fah renheit for every fifty-five feet descent The following deep mines of the world show accurately the amount of this increase in the most notable instances. The Jacket shaft of the Calumet and Hecia mines, in the Lake Superior regions which has been sunk to a depth of 4,900 The greatest depth in Great Britain is 3,474 feet; Belgium, 3,937; Austria-Hungary, 3,672; Victoria, 3,302; Germany, 2,960 feet, and France, 2,300 feet. In the Calumet and Hecia mines the increase of temperature is the least on record, being attributed to the presence of Lake Superior. On the other hand the results of the Comstock are abnor mally high, from the lode being heat volcanic action, and the presence of ho subterranean waters. The mean number of observations of the Red Jacket degree Fahrenheit. The deepest bore hole yet made was sunk by the Prussian government in 1893, and reached a depth of 6,572 fect, the increase being degree Fahrenheit for 62.1 feet Comstock mine it is so warm that some times it is impossible to work, due to the increased temperature, and ordinarily sometimes as often as once in twenty min-

Uses to Which Eggs May Be Put. According to the Medical Record eggs useful in the following applications 'A mustard plaster made with the white of an egg will not leave a blister. A raw egg, taken immediately will carry down a fishbone that cannot be extracted. The white skin that lines the shell is a useful application to a boil. White of egg, beaten up with loaf sigar and le relieves hoarseness, a teaspoonful taken once every hour. An egg in the morning cup of coffee is a good tonic. A raw egg wine, is beneficial for convalescents."-

SOME INDIAN DIVORCES.

The Courts Are New Playing Havon With Tribal Customs.

With most of the plain Indians marriage consists of picking out the maiden, leading ber to a cabin or wig warn and installing her sometimes with the necessary preliminary of paying the father a puny or two or an installment of blankets, and occasionally with some slight ceremony performed by a chief or medicine man. And when the

brave grows tired of his partner he can get rid of berns easily as he won her. The people who are now flocking to the Dakotas or Oklahoma to get divorces would be supremely happy if they could throw off the galling needs of wedlock as easily as does the reservation Indian. The fact having been formally announced by the head man of the clan, the divorce takes place when the tribe is gathered as a dance. When all are assembled and the circle formed, the discontented warrier away a few presents, (oftentimes making a present to the squaw he intends to take next,) and then in a short, bom bastic speech he stigmatizes his wife by giving her over to the tender mercies of other braves, while they look upon him enviously and consider that he has performed an act

of bravery in his desertion. Often as many as half a dozen divorces are thus obtained at a single dance. No edious waiting, no courts, no lawyers, and no trouble about alimony or the custody of children. And the squaws thus cast off, as a general thing, seem to take it as a matter of coorse and before the close of the dance are using the wiles known and used by women the World over in an effort to repair as speedily as

possible the break in their hearts and With the taking of land in severalty and putting on of citizenship, however, the Indian finds that he has cemested the ties that were so loose before, for the courts everywhere are deciding that the tribal marriages are legal and binding upon the Indian who becomes a citizen. And if the weight of one legal marriage wears somewhat heavily upon a white man, how must it be with the red man, who has contracted two three, four, or even more alliances, which the court now declares legal, and at the same time takes away his former avenue of relief?

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STEWS AND HASHES.

Some Points in Successful Prepara-Mutton, beef and lamb stews and hasher if property prepared—that is, cooked very slowly and made of the raw meat, are valuable additions to the bill of fare, and are digestible in the order in which I have named them; but a stew or a hash which involves the second cooking of meats, or any of the almost numberless rechauffes with receipts for which our culinary litera-

ture is laden, should be refused a place on

the children's table. Use cold meats as cold meats, if possible or, if they are absolutely refused when presented in this form, warm, but do not cook them, in a gravy, which may be pre-pared with a little stock, if none of the original gravy is left. Slice the meat in very thin slices or mince it very fine, and when the gravy is well cooked and sea-soned to taste, put the meat into it and set it on the back of the stove and leave it there until it is heated thoroughly. The usual rechauffe means more than reheating; it means recooking, and meats subjected to that process are more or less indigesti-

When preparing a stew or bash, cut lean meat and vegetables into pieces of the de-sired size; put into a stewpan, not made of metal which will rust; cover over with cold water, let stand in a cold place for an hour, and then heat until it begins to simmer very slowly, keeping it covered closely meanwhile; let it simmer for from two to our hours, according to the toughness of the meat, seasoning it about buil an hour before it is done and stirring occasionally so as to mash some of the potato or rice, which, one or both, should form one of its constituents and give it body. This makes a delicious dish, costs but little, is suffi-cient in itself, with the addition of bread and butter, for a meal, and is readily di-gested. The vegetables used in it may be a matter of choice. Rice, tomatoes, lima beans, corn, any or all of these may be used, and for scasoning, onion, a little allparsiey, bay leaf, etc.-Home Magazine.

There is a cat story connected with the name of Mr. Stanley. When the African traveler was writing his "Through the Dark Continent," in Sackville street, he used often, from want of a flat surface, to spread his maps and charts upon the floor, and one day the cat of the bouse, which had nceived an extraordinary liking for the great explorer and passed most of her time in his rooms, went to sleep on a chart that was spread out on the hearthrug. By and by the chart was wanted and one of Stan-ley's assistants was going to turn pass off it, when "the man who found Livingstone" stopped him

"Don't disturb the cat." he said; "we can get on without the chart till she wakes If you only knew how good the sight of that English cat, cozily curied up in front of that fire, is to me, you would never let her move from where she is," He had just come back from a weary and

trying time among uncivilized tribes and the sleeping cut was to him the symbol of comfortable security, of peace and of

Compensation-Bilkerton's death was lamentable, wasn't it? Yes, but aw-Chicago Tribune.